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Dear Mr Armit

**Chain Valley Extension Project (SSD 5465) – Miniwall S4 Extraction Plan  
Approval of First Workings - Appointment of Experts**

I refer to your letter of 29 June 2019 seeking approval for first workings associated with planned Miniwall S4. In accordance with condition 9 of Schedule 4 of the mine's consent, the Secretary has approved the first workings as shown in the plans attached to your letter.

I refer to your second letter dated 29 June 2019, and email of 03 September 2019, seeking the Secretary's endorsement of suitably qualified and experienced experts to prepare an Extraction Plan for Miniwall S4, in accordance with condition 7 of Schedule 4 of the mine's consent.

The Department has reviewed the qualifications of:

- Tim Chisholm, Mine Surveyor, Delta Coal;
- David Hill, Principal Geotechnical Engineer, Strata2;
- Chris Armit, Environmental Coordinator, Delta Coal; and
- Dave Richards, Environmental Scientist, EMM Consulting.

The Secretary has endorsed the appointment of the nominated experts.

If you require any further information, please contact Colin Phillips.

Yours sincerely

Matthew Sprott  
**A/Director Resource Assessments  
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As the Secretary's nominee